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Community helps fight against cancer

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The increasingly active support being given by the European Community in the fight against cancer was stressed by Commissioner Guido Brunner in Brussels last night (Wednesday).

Mr. Brunner was speaking at a Gala to celebrate the tenth anniversary of the Institut Bordet which has played an important role in Europe's anti-cancer research since its foundation in 1925. He referred to the Community's current research programme in the field of radiation protection which costs 39 million EUA and to the new programme now before the Council which proposes expenditure of over 68 million EUA. The research concerned such matters as the effects of radiation and work on bone marrow transplantation.

In addition the Commission has signed an agreement with the European Organisation for Research on the Treatment of Cancer supporting a data bank which will give Europe computer access to one of the most advanced systems of information collection and evaluation in the world.

The Commission has given 200,000 units of account over the next two years to the data centre which will gather information from 150 hospitals and will include half a million separate items of biological and clinical information.